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Attorney Docket Number

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First Named Inventor

Dieter KROHN

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Application Number

10/565,720

Filing Date

07/29/2004

Art Unit

Examiner Name

I hereby declare that:

Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

SLIDING DOOR COMPRISING A FRAME AND A GUIDING MECHANISM

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which



is attached hereto

OR



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JULY 29, 2004

as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number

PCT/EP2004/008506

and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY)

January 25, 2006

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

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Title: **SLIDING DOOR COMPRISING A FRAME AND A GUIDING MECHANISM**

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US Entry Date: January 25, 2006

Serial No.: 10/565,720

International Application No. PCT/EP2004/008506

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Applicant: Dieter KROHN et al

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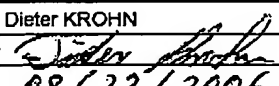
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